

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-47 are canceled. Claims 48-60 are withdrawn. As such, claims 61 to 73 are currently under consideration in this application.

II. Response to the Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has restricted the pending claims into the following two groups:

Group I. Claims 48-60, drawn to an assay employing a mixture of cells, each of which expresses a particular GPCR conjugate, wherein the mixture comprises cells expressing either of two different GPCRs.

Group II. Claims 61-73, drawn to an assay employing an individual cell, wherein that cell expresses each of two different GPCR conjugates.

Applicants elect Group I for prosecution on the merits. Claims 61 to 73 read on the elected invention.

Applicants respectfully submit that all the above elections are without prejudice and expressly reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected inventions and claims at a later stage.

CONCLUSION


In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

While Applicants believe that no other fees are due at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees or any other relief that may be required, in connection with this reply to Deposit Account 500310 (Docket No.: 067437-5021-US)

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-442-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

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